

# **Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation**

A non-profit organization promoting awareness and conservation of the marine environment through education and research in New England.

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## Summer Position Announcement: Coastal Cleanup Intern

Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation, Portsmouth, NH



Want to save the world? Start by working with us. The Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation seeks to fill the position of coastal cleanup intern to assist with our marine debris monitoring programs and coordinating the New Hampshire Coastal Cleanup (NHCC) this year. We are a Portsmouth, NH-based non-profit organization that promotes awareness and conservation of the marine environment through research, education and conservation. We offer a challenging, hands-on position that will enable you to learn about marine conservation and research efforts and the working of a small non-profit organization.

The NHCC is held in conjunction with the Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup, which is the world's largest one-day volunteer effort to clean up the marine environment. The intern employed in this position will also assist with our other cleanup programs, including our innovative Marine Debris to Energy project, involving recycling derelict fishing gear, underwater sonar surveys and a unique marine debris web site.

### Responsibilities include:

- Working with Blue Ocean Society's Coastal Cleanup Coordinator to plan the public Coastal Cleanup along with a student cleanup held with area schools. Cleanups are usually held throughout September and October, with September 18-19 as the main
- Recruiting and organizing coordinators and volunteers for cleanup sites.
- Recruiting schools to participate in the student cleanup and a student art contest.
- Obtaining supply donations from local businesses and organizations.
- Assisting with our monofilament recycling program.
- Assisting with cleanup data entry.
- Participating in beach cleanups and helping with educational programs as needed.
- Promoting our cleanups through press releases, posters, and other means.

#### **Oualifications**

- Attention to detail and strong organizational skills.
- Enthusiasm, creativity and a desire to learn.
- Outgoing, cheerful personality.
- Familiarity with Microsoft Office software.
- Self-motivated and able to work independently.
- Commitment to environmental protection and a desire to share your environmental ethic with others.
- Own transportation: the intern must be able to work in our Portsmouth office and travel along the seacoast of NH frequently as part of the project (mileage for work-related travel is reimbursed)
- Must be available at least part-time through at least September 2009.
- Past participation in coastal cleanups a plus!

This is a paid position with hours of approximately 20 hours a week for 15 weeks (a total of \$3,500 in funding is currently available). There is a possibility to combine this position with a part-time educator and/or office assistant position to earn fulltime pay. Applicants must be available to start by June I, or earlier, and be available during Coastal Cleanup weekend, September 18-20.

### To Apply

Please submit a resume, letter of interest and three recommendation letters via mail or e-mail by April 10, 2009 to:

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